The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clause 2 was put and carried.

Clause 1 and the Preamble were put and carried.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I move—

"That the Madras Civil Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be passed."

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

"That the Madras Civil Courts (Amendment) Bill, 1956, be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was passed.

(4) THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (MADRAS AMENDMENT) BILL, 1956.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Code of Criminal Procedure (Madras Amendment) Bill [a], 1956, and move—

"That the Bill be taken into consideration."

Hon. Members particularly lawyer-members have been pressing for the introduction and passing of this Bill. It is only in pursuance of that, this Bill has been brought.

MR. SPEAKER : Motion moved—

"That the Code of Criminal Procedure (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1956, be taken into consideration."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN : Mr. Speaker, Sir, while supporting this Bill, I wish to congratulate the Government for having brought forward this Bill which is going to be passed into law to-day. During the course of a year or so when the salutary provision for appeals to the Su-divisional Magistrates did not exist, consequent upon the Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act passed by the Parliament last year, several clients and lawyers were put to a lot of difficulties. They could not have easy access to their own courts situated in their towns like the Subdivisional Magistrate Courts and for every appeal whether big or small, they had to resort unnecessarily to the District Court or the Sessions Court. That was rally operating to a very great extent to the detriment of both the clients and lawyers. Much of the money and time were wasted, without benefiting anybody. I am really glad that so soon after the assurance given on the floor of the House by the Hon. Minister for Law, this Bill has been brought forward and once again I congratulate the Government for that.

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MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

" That the Code of Criminal Procedure (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1956, be taken into consideration."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was taken into consideration.

Clause 2 was put and carried.

Clause 3.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Mr. Speaker, Sir, there is a small printer's devil. The figures ' 406 ' occurring in line 5 of clause 3 should be read as ' 406A '.

MR. SPEAKER : This has been taken note of and I am going to put Clause 3 to the vote of the House.

Clause 3 as amended was put and carried.

Clause 4 was put and carried.

Clause 5 was put and carried.

Clause 1 and the Preamble were put and carried.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, I move—

" That the Code of Criminal Procedure (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1956, as amended be passed."

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

" That the Code of Criminal Procedure (Madras Amendment) Bill, 1956, as amended be passed."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill as amended was passed.

X.—GOVERNMENT MOTION—*cont.*

MOTION UNDER RULE 21 (3) OF THE ASSEMBLY RULES *re* CHANGE IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS—*cont.*

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Sir, under Rule 21 (3) of the Assembly Rules, I move—

" That item 7 in the order of business for 26th September 1956, The Madras Estates Land (Reduction of Rent) Amendment Bill, 1956, be taken up."

MR. SPEAKER : The question is—

" That under Rule 21 (3) of the Assembly Rules, item 7 in the order of business for 26th September 1956, The Madras Estates Land (Reduction of Rent) Amendment Bill, 1956, be taken up."

The motion was put and carried.